

Clearances:

L/PM – Schildge ok
NSC – Nilsson ok
T – Katsapis ok
PM/CPA – Greer ok

PM/DDTC – RSKovac
H – Faulkner ok
PM/DTCL– Maloney

Dear Madam Speaker:

Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting, herewith, certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement to include the export of technical data, defense services, and defense articles in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more.

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Sincerely,

Richard R. Verma
Assistant Secretary
Legislative Affairs

Enclosure:

Transmittal No. DDTC 023-09

The Honorable
Nancy Pelosi,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
TRANSMITTAL NO. DDTC 023-09
CERTIFICATION OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF AN EXPORT
LICENSE PURSUANT TO SECTION 36(c)
OF THE ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT

(1) Foreign Country or International Organization to Which Export Will Be Made:
United Kingdom, Russia, Germany, Netherlands, Sweden, Luxembourg,
Belgium and France and Kazakhstan.

(2) Dollar Value of the Proposed Export:

(a) Current Notification Value: \$93,000,000

(b) Initial Notification

(3) Description of the Transaction:

(a) Current Notification Scope: International Launch Services (ILS) is responsible for the Proton Launch Services Agreement to market and sell launch services and to launch commercial satellites and foreign government satellites from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan using Proton Space Launch Vehicles (SLV). ILS now seeks authorization for the Proton integration and launch of the Sirius-5 Commercial Communication Satellite for SES Satellite Leasing Limited (SES SL) of the United Kingdom. Attachment 1 contains a list of all involved parties. The launch is scheduled for June 2011 and will be in accordance with all limitations and provisos of the launch services agreement, which includes DoD monitoring, and is in full compliance with U.S. Public Law 105-261, Sec 1514(a)(1) through (a)(7). The export authorization for the satellite and associated launch support equipment, including transfer to the launch provider, is being notified separately.

The current notification value represents the value of the contract for launch vehicle and launch operations between ILS and SES SL.

(b) Total Scope: Initial Notification

(4) Offset Arrangement: None.

(5) Authorized Sales Territory: Not Applicable.

(6) Date Certification Delivered to Congress:

NOTE: This report, although unclassified, is derived from information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant which is subject to the confidentiality requirements of section 38(e) of the Arms Export Control Act. Disclosure of an applicant's prices and customers could result in competitive injury.

Attachment to DDTC 023-09
Signatories

NATO

France

- VEGA Technologies SAS

Germany

- LSE Space Engineering & Operations AG
- VEGA Informations-Technolgien GmbH

Luxembourg

- SES
- SES Astra S.A.
- SES Astra TechCom Belgium S.A.
- SES Engineering, S.a.r.l.

Netherlands

- New Skies Satellites B.V.
- SES Engineering, B.V.

United Kingdom

- New Skies Networks Ltd.
- SES Satellite (Gilbraltar) Ltd
- SES Satellite Leasing Ltd.
- VEGA Group plc

Non-NATO

Sweden

- RUAG Aerospace Sweden AB
- SES Sirius AB
- Swedish Space Corp.

Russia

- Khrunichev State Research & Production Space Center

US

- McKnight Associates, Inc.
- New Skies Networks, Inc.
- New Skies Satellites, Inc.
- SES Americom, Inc.
- SES Engineering, Inc.
- Space System/Loral, Inc.

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The Honorable
John F. Kerry, Chairman,
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The Honorable
Ileana Ros-Lehtinen,
Committee on Foreign Affairs,
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Howard L. Berman, Chairman,
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The Honorable

Joseph R. Biden, Jr.,
President of the Senate.